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REMARKS

Applicant amends Examiner's amended claim 1 as appearing in the Notice of Allowance to provide correct antecedent basis for the claim. Accordingly, no new matter has been added, and the amendment complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.312.

This amendment is submitted prior to the payment of the issue fee and Applicant respectfully requests entry of this amendment prior to issuance of the above-referenced patent application. If the Examiner believes that an interview would facilitate the resolution of any outstanding issues, she is kindly requested to contact the undersigned.

In the event that a petition for an extension of time is required to be submitted at this time, Applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of time for as many months as are required to ensure that the above-identified application does not become abandoned.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 141449, under Order No. 22727-107.

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Respectfully submitted,

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